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Sir:

Enclosed herewith is an executed Declaration for the above-identified application which was originally filed without an executed Declaration.

The Declaration identifies the application by the Title, name of the inventors, and filing date of the application.

Accordingly, it is submitted that the present application now complies with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.53(d). Enclosed herewith is the \$130.00 surcharge required by 37 CFR 1.16(e).

Early issuance of a filing receipt is therefore requested.

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